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NEW AVENGERS

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CIVIL WAR™

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THE NEW AVENGERS

NEW AVENGERS: DISASSEMBLED PART ONE

PREVIOUSLY IN CIVIL WAR...

Hoping to boost their ratings, four New Warriors, young super heroes and reality television stars, attempted to apprehend a quartet of villains holed up in Stamford, Connecticut. When confronted, the explosive Nitro employed his self-detonation ability, blowing the New Warriors and a large chunk of Stamford into oblivion. The entire incident was caught on tape. Casualties number in the hundreds.

As a reaction to this tragedy, public outcry calls for reform in the way super heroes conduct their affairs. On Capitol Hill, a Superhuman Registration Act is debated which would require all those possessing paranormal abilities to register with the government, divulging their true identities to the authorities and submitting to training and sanctioning in the manner of federal agents.

Some heroes, such as Iron Man, see this as a natural evolution of the role of super heroes in society, and a reasonable request. Others, embodied by Captain America, take umbrage at this assault on their civil liberties.



When Captain America is called upon to hunt down his fellow heroes who are in defiance of the Registration Act, he chooses to go AWOL, becoming a public enemy in the process.

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JUST TRY
AND *FOCUS*.

THINK OF
SOMETHING
ELSE.

ANYTHING
ELSE.

THIS ALWAYS WORKS.
THIS *ALWAYS* WORKS.

JUST DRAW.

FOCUS YOUR MIND ON
THE WHITE PAPER AND
DRAW SOMETHING.

EXPRESS YOURSELF.

YOU USED TO DO
THIS SO WELL
YOU COULD PAY
THE BILLS WITH IT.

JUST STOP
THINKING ABOUT
EVERYTHING ELSE.

STOP THINKING ABOUT
THE HELL YOUR LIFE HAS
BECOME AND THAT
YOU CAN'T GO HOME...

...OR TO THE
AVENGERS...

STOP THINKING ABOUT
THE FACT THAT YOU
HAVE NO FRIENDS AND
NO ONE YOU CAN TRUST.

AND THAT EVERY
LAW OFFICER IN
THE COUNTRY IS OUT
TO TAKE YOU DOWN.

STOP THINKING ABOUT
THE FACT THAT THE
WORLD HAS TURNED
AGAINST YOU AND
THE *IRONY* IS YOU
SHOULDN'T EVEN
BE HERE.

YOU *SHOULD*
HAVE DIED SIXTY
YEARS AGO.

THEY SHOULD HAVE
LEFT YOU IN THAT
BLOCK OF ICE.

THEY SHOULD HAVE LEFT
YOU AS A MEMORY--
AS A SYMBOL OF
PEACE AND FREEDOM.

INSTEAD OF WHAT
THEY'RE TURNING YOU
INTO: A WAR CRIMINAL.

A REFUGEE.



I SHOULD WRITE A BOOK.

EXPLAIN MYSELF TO THE WORLD IN MY OWN WORDS.

NO, I *SHOULD* DRAW.

LIKE I USED TO.

DRAWING MADE ME *HAPPY*. WHY DID I STOP?

OH YES, BECAUSE PEOPLE *NEED* CAPTAIN AMERICA.



NO, *YOU* NEED CAPTAIN AMERICA.

STEVE ROGERS NEEDS CAPTAIN AMERICA.

THEY DON'T NEED ANYTHING.

THAT'S THE POINT OF ALL THIS.

THEY WANT SUPER HEROES TO BE CONTROLLED BY THE *GOVERNMENT*.

THEY WANT US TO BE *PUPPETS* TO A CORPORATE SHILL STRUCTURE, LIKE THEIR POLITICIANS AND *EVERYTHING ELSE* ON THE PLANET.

THEY DON'T SEE THAT *WE'RE* ALL THAT'S LEFT KEEPING THEM TRULY PROTECTED AND FREE.



WHAT DO YOU EXPECT FROM A SOCIETY THAT GETS ALL ITS NEWS FROM LATE-NIGHT COMEDY SHOWS?

OF *COURSE* THEY DON'T CARE! *EVERYTHING IS A PUNCHLINE.*

EVERYTHING IS JUST--NO.

THAT'S NOT TRUE. THEY CARE.

THEY JUST CARE ABOUT THEMSELVES MORE THAN THEY CARE ABOUT THE WORLD THEY LIVE IN.

THEY WANT TO BE COMFORTABLE, NOT SAFE.



THEY DON'T WANT TO FIGHT FOR THEIR FREEDOM.

THEY WANT SOMEONE LIKE ME TO FIGHT FOR IT *FOR THEM*, AND NOW THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY--*STOP IT!*

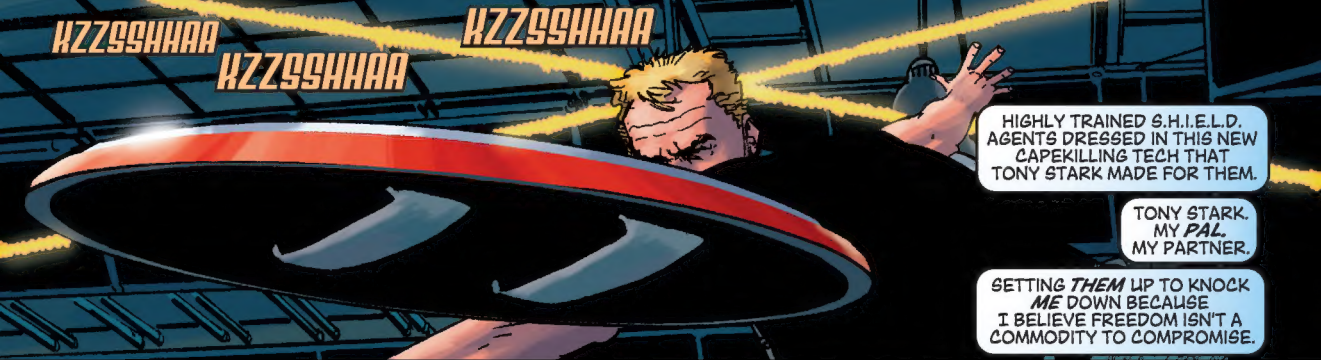
YOU NEED SLEEP. YOU NEED TO FOCUS.

IF YOU *COULD* FOCUS, YOU WOULD HAVE HEARD THEM COMING BEFORE IT WAS TOO LATE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT...

BUT DON'T KICK YOURSELF...

...THESE CAPEKILLERS
WERE TRAINED TO
SNEAK UP ON YOU.





KZZSSHHAA

KZZSSHHAA

KZZSSHHAA

HIGHLY TRAINED S.H.I.E.L.D. AGENTS DRESSED IN THIS NEW CAPEKILLING TECH THAT TONY STARK MADE FOR THEM.

TONY STARK.
MY *PAL*.
MY PARTNER.

SETTING *THEM* UP TO KNOCK *ME* DOWN BECAUSE I BELIEVE FREEDOM ISN'T A COMMODITY TO COMPROMISE.



BUT THESE AREN'T NAZIS OR HYDRA. DON'T TAKE IT OUT ON THEM.

BOYS! I'M TELLING YOU NOW!
GO BACK TO YOUR MASTERS AND TELL THEM YOU FAILED.
AND AT LEAST YOU'LL WALK AWAY.



YOU TRIED.
AT LEAST YOU DID THAT.

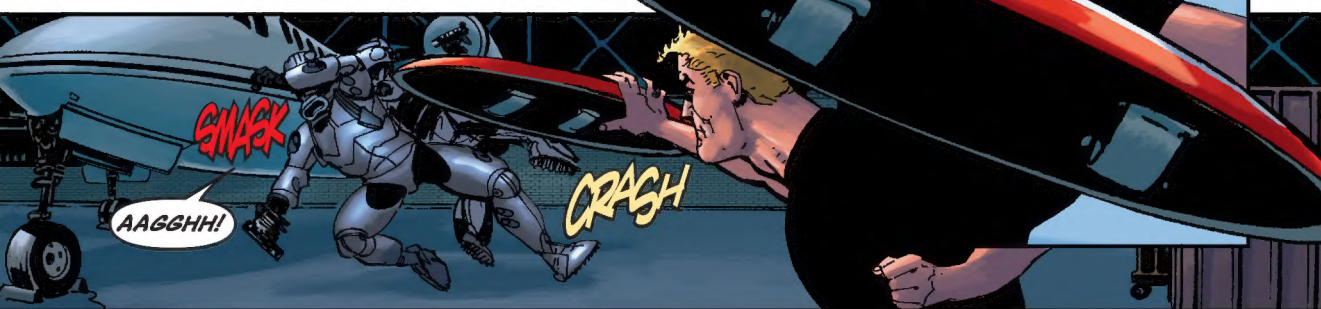


POOR KIDS.

JUST DOING WHAT THEY'RE TOLD.

GOOD SOLDIERS.

SMASH







CRACK

GRRAAGH!

SPASH

SPASH

CRASH

AGH!

YOU DON'T
EVEN KNOW
WHAT YOU'RE
FIGHTING
FOR!



DO IT, CAP.
BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T, I GOTTA TAKE YOU IN.

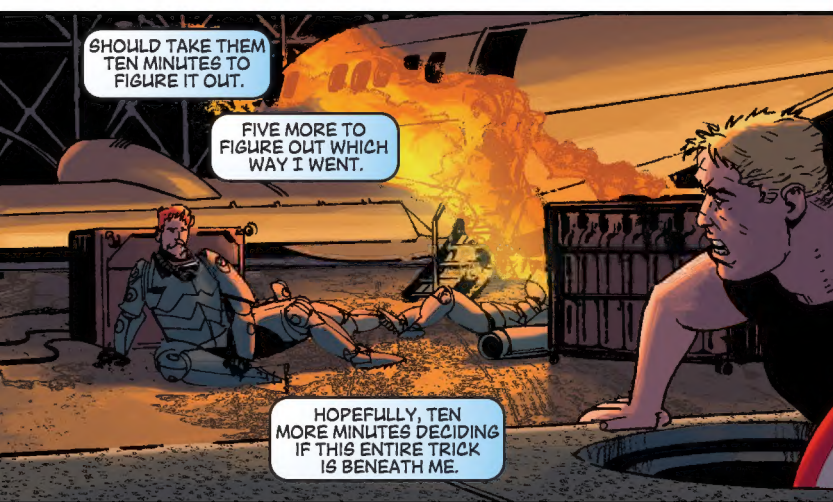
DUGAN?
DUM DUM DUGAN?



THEY SENT A FRIEND.
THREE THOUSAND
AGENTS OF S.H.I.E.L.D.
ON ACTIVE DUTY, AND
THEY SENT A FRIEND.

DIRTY POOL.

I'LL REMEMBER THAT.



SHOULD TAKE THEM
TEN MINUTES TO
FIGURE IT OUT.

FIVE MORE TO
FIGURE OUT WHICH
WAY I WENT.

HOPEFULLY, TEN
MORE MINUTES DECIDING
IF THIS ENTIRE TRICK
IS BENEATH ME.



THIS IS
S.H.I.E.L.D.
AGENT
DUGAN.

CAPTAIN
AMERICA IS
DEAD. WE'RE
SWEEPING
THE AREA.
OVER.

OH MY
GOD. YOU
GOT HIM?

STAY
THERE. WAIT
FOR MY
WORD.



THEY SHOULD HAVE
LEFT ME IN THE ICE.

I'D BE
A HERO.



CAP?

MURF?

CAP??

OH MY GOD. WHERE AM I?

YOU PASSED OUT, MAN.

I DON'T-- I DON'T EVEN REMEMBER COMING HERE.

IMAGINE MY SURPRISE.

SAM WILSON, THE FALCON. MY SOMETIME PARTNER.

HOW DO YOU-- WAIT, HOW DO YOU *KNOW* ABOUT THIS PLACE, SAM?

WHO *CONVENIENTLY* SHOWS UP HERE.

YOU... *TOOK* ME HERE ONCE.

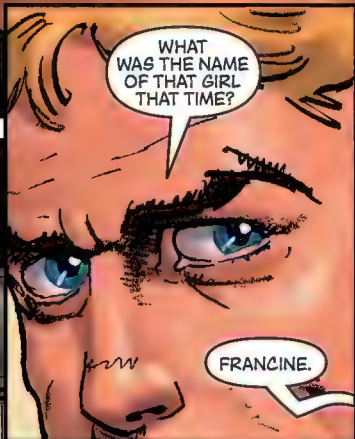
TAKE OFF YOUR MASK.

WHAT?

TAKE IT OFF!

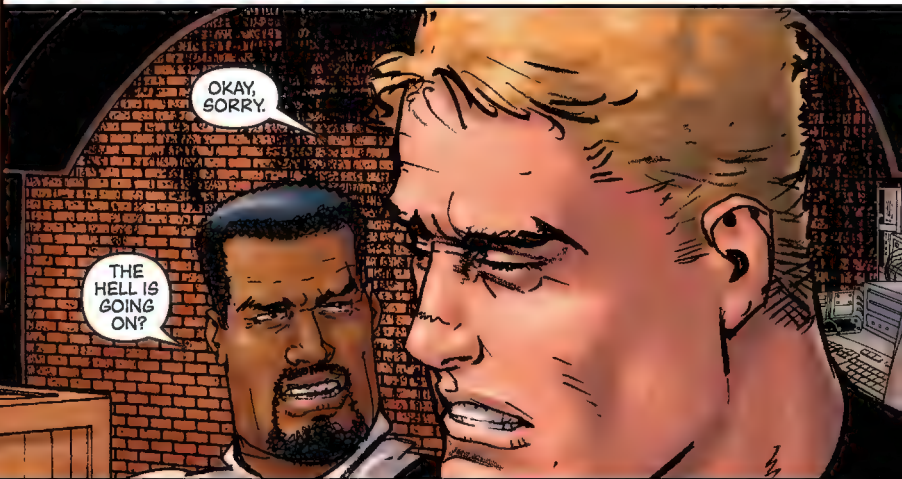


WHAT'S GOING ON, STEVE?



WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THAT GIRL THAT TIME?

FRANCINE.



OKAY, SORRY.

THE HELL IS GOING ON?



HOW LONG WAS I OUT?

I DON'T KNOW. I JUST GOT HERE AND HERE YOU WERE.



DID YOU SIGN IT, SAM? PLEASE TELL ME YOU--

THE REGISTRATION THING? ARE YOU INSANE? WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?

SORRY. JUST MAKING SURE. I'VE HAD SOME SURPRISES.

TONY STARK.

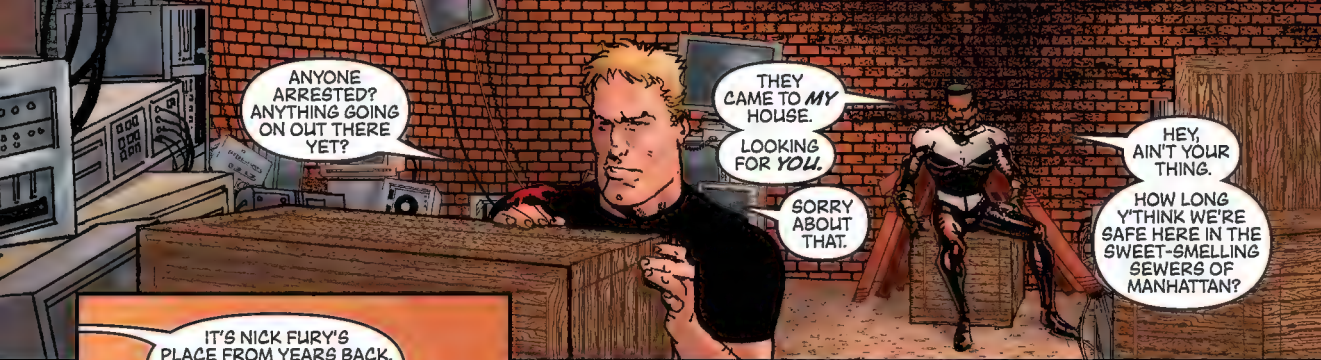
YEAH.

IRON MAN'S A SELL-OUT, MAN. ALWAYS WAS.

DON'T.

YOU CHOSE TO SEE THAT SHIT THROUGH ROSE-COLORED GLASSES. BUT THAT'S WHAT HE ALWAYS WAS.





ANYONE
ARRESTED?
ANYTHING GOING
ON OUT THERE
YET?

THEY
CAME TO MY
HOUSE.

LOOKING
FOR YOU.

SORRY
ABOUT
THAT.

HEY,
AIN'T YOUR
THING.

HOW LONG
Y' THINK WE'RE
SAFE HERE IN THE
SWEET-SMELLING
SEWERS OF
MANHATTAN?



IT'S NICK FURY'S
PLACE FROM YEARS BACK.
HE KEPT IT IN CASE THE
WORST EVER
HAPPENED.

LIKE
TODAY.

I GUESS
I CAME HERE
LOOKING FOR
HIM, BUT IT DOESN'T
LOOK LIKE ANYONE'S
BEEN HERE
IN YEARS.

DOES
THIS STUFF
WORK?

I
GUESS.



HELL, NO.
YOU
WITH ME ON
THIS?

I TOLD
YOU YEARS AGO,
YOU NEVER HAVE
TO ASK THAT.

WHAT ARE
WE GONNA
DO?

WHAT'S
THAT?

MONEY,
PASSPORTS.
FAKE IDS.

YOU WANT
TO LEAVE THE
COUNTRY?

FIGHT
BACK.

THERE
YOU GO.



I'M DOWN,
BROTHA'. I AIN'T
BUYING WHAT THEY'RE
SELLIN' AND I
AIN'T MOVIN'.

WE
STAY AND
FIGHT.

THIS IS
GOING TO GET
BLOODY.

I'M NOT
WORRIED ABOUT
TODAY. I'M
WORRIED ABOUT
TOMORROW.

WHAT'S
TOMORROW?





"THERE!"

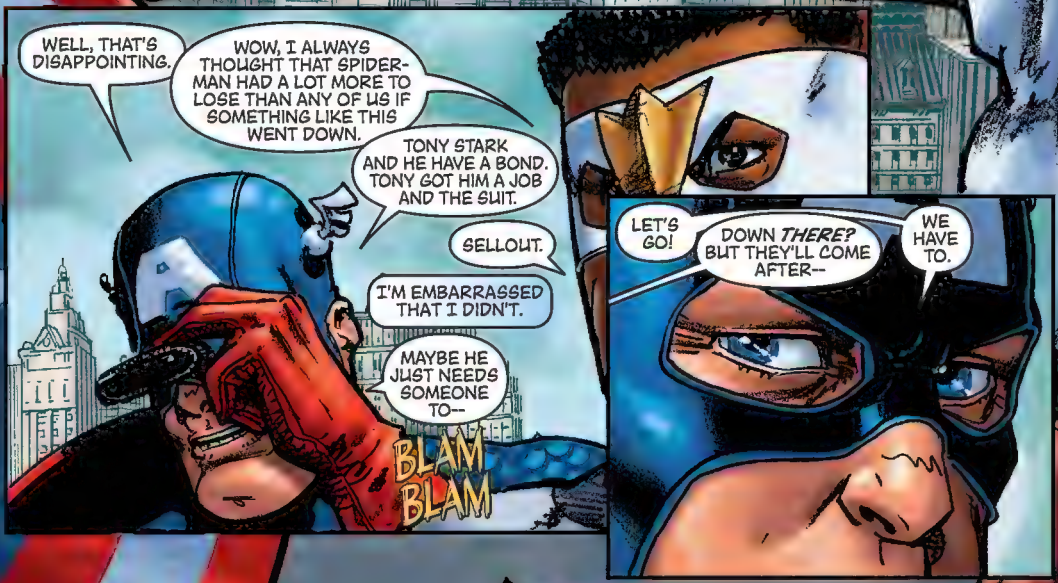
"I DON'T--"

"TO THE
LEFT."

"I SEE HIM."



SAM'S A GOOD FRIEND.
I SHOULD HAVE COME
TO HIM RIGHT AWAY.



WELL, THAT'S
DISAPPOINTING.

WOW, I ALWAYS
THOUGHT THAT SPIDER-
MAN HAD A LOT MORE TO
LOSE THAN ANY OF US IF
SOMETHING LIKE THIS
WENT DOWN.

TONY STARK
AND HE HAVE A BOND.
TONY GOT HIM A JOB
AND THE SUIT.

SELLOUT.

I'M EMBARRASSED
THAT I DIDN'T.

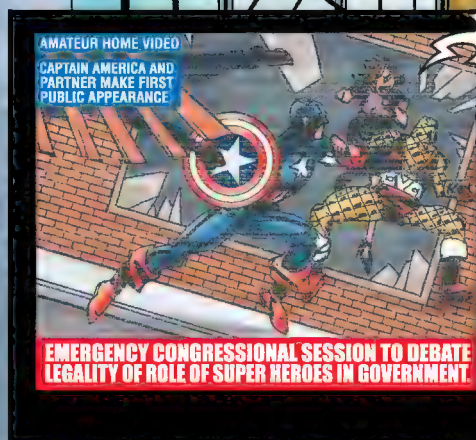
MAYBE HE
JUST NEEDS
SOMEONE
TO--

BLAM
BLAM

LET'S
GO!

DOWN THERE?
BUT THEY'LL COME
AFTER--

WE
HAVE
TO.

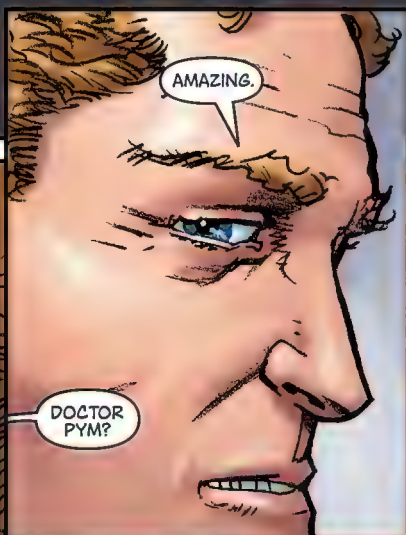
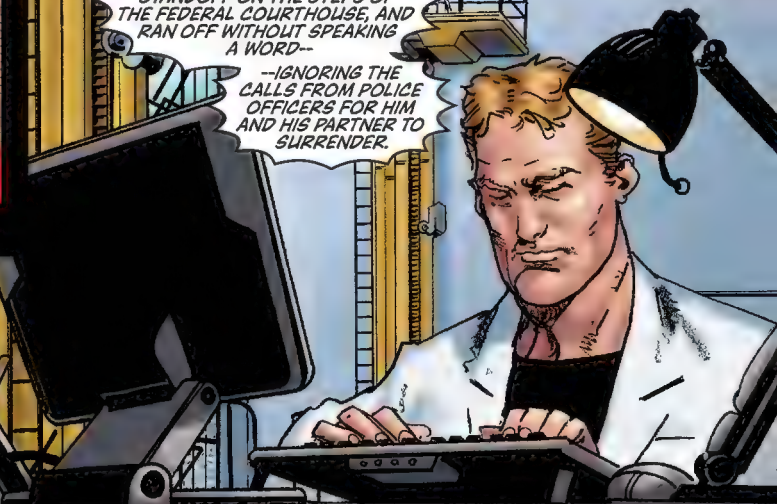


--STARTLING PUBLIC APPEARANCE BY SOMEONE WE DO BELIEVE IS CAPTAIN AMERICA--

--SEEMINGLY UNAFFECTED BY THE PUBLIC OULTRY OVER THE SUPERHUMAN REGISTRATION ACT, THE PRESIDENT HIMSELF DECLARING CAPTAIN AMERICA A FUGITIVE FROM THE LAW...

...EYEWITNESSES SAY THAT CAPTAIN AMERICA SWOOPED IN, ENDED THE HOSTILE STANDOFF ON THE STEPS OF THE FEDERAL COURTHOUSE, AND RAN OFF WITHOUT SPEAKING A WORD--

--IGNORING THE CALLS FROM POLICE OFFICERS FOR HIM AND HIS PARTNER TO SURRENDER.



AMAZING.

DOCTOR PYM?



I NEED YOUR HELP, HENRY.



FOR WHAT, PRAY TELL?

HI, SAM.

WE HAVE TO FIGHT THIS. OUR RIGHTS AND THE RIGHTS OF ANY--

COME ON HANK, GRAB YOUR STUFF AND A BUNCH OF ANTS AND LET'S GO. WE GOTTA MOVE.



I'M BACK TO WORKING ON MY GIANT-MAN FORMULAS, ACTUALLY.

I MADE SOME BREAKTHROUGHS WITH THE GENOME SPIRAL--

HENRY?

DID YOU SIGN THE REGISTRATION ACT?

WELL, CAP...

...I MEAN, IT'S NOT LIKE I'VE KEPT MY IDENTITY A SECRET.

I'M WITH TONY ON THIS. ALL THE WAY.



SORRY TO HEAR IT.

YOU'D BEST STAY OUT OF THE WAY THEN, MAN.

SERIOUSLY, WHEN IT GOES DOWN, STAY IN YOUR LAB.



I DON'T GET IT. WHY ARE YOU BEING SO DIFFICULT ABOUT THIS, CAP?

WHY CAN'T YOU SEE THE BIGGER PICTURE HERE?

PEOPLE, FRIENDS OF OURS, OUR **BROTHERS**, ARE GOING TO GET HURT BECAUSE YOU WON'T PLAY BALL.

REED RICHARDS, TONY AND I ARE WORKING ON SOME THINGS THAT WILL--

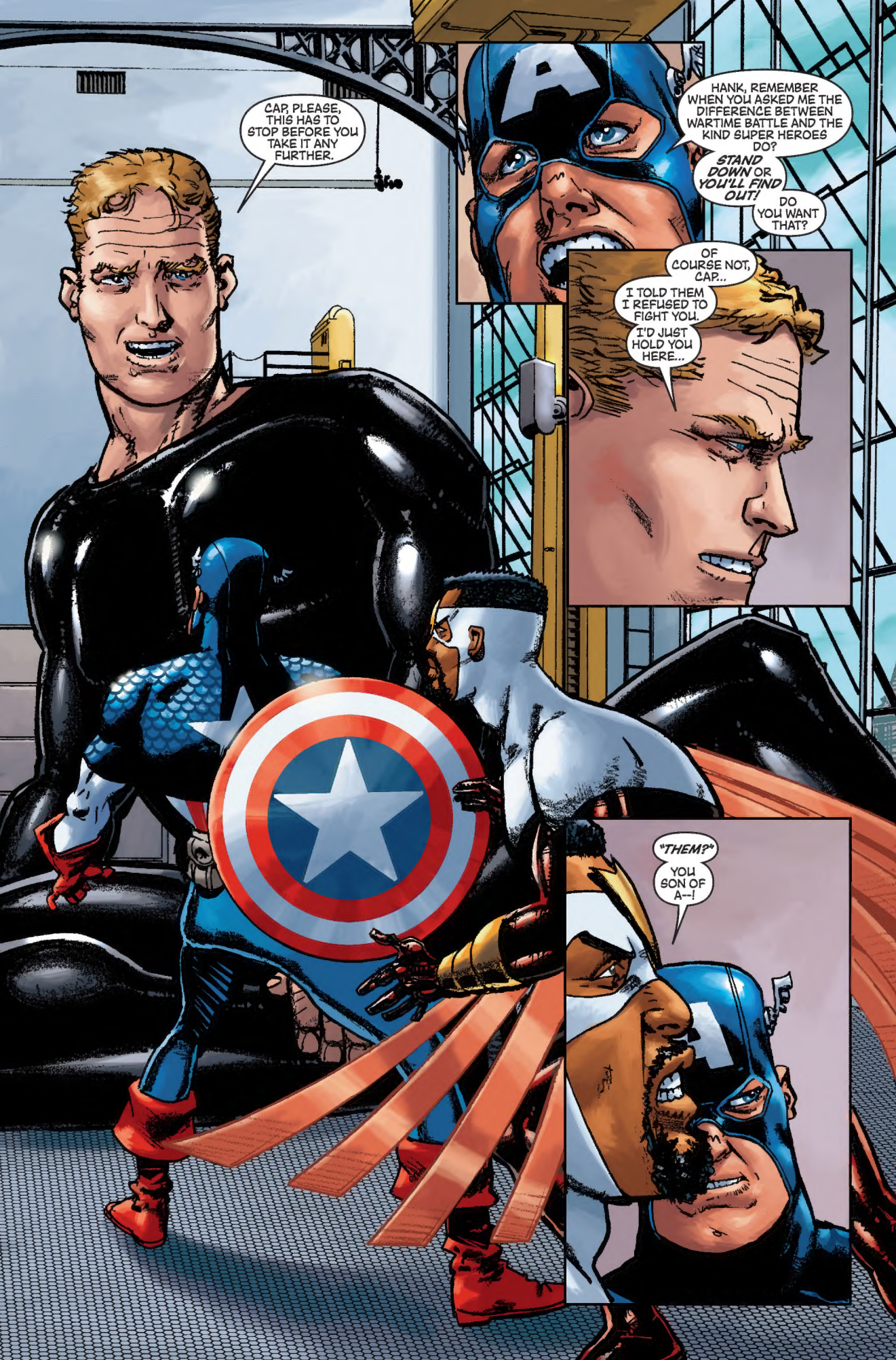
PLAY BALL?!



WHO ARE WE PLAYING BALL WITH? WHO ARE WE PLAYING BALL FOR?

WHY CAN'T ANYONE ANSWER THAT ONE SIMPLE QUESTION??





CAP, PLEASE.
THIS HAS TO
STOP BEFORE YOU
TAKE IT ANY
FURTHER.

HANK, REMEMBER
WHEN YOU ASKED ME THE
DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
WARTIME BATTLE AND THE
KIND SUPER HEROES
DO?

**STAND
DOWN OR
YOU'LL FIND
OUT!**

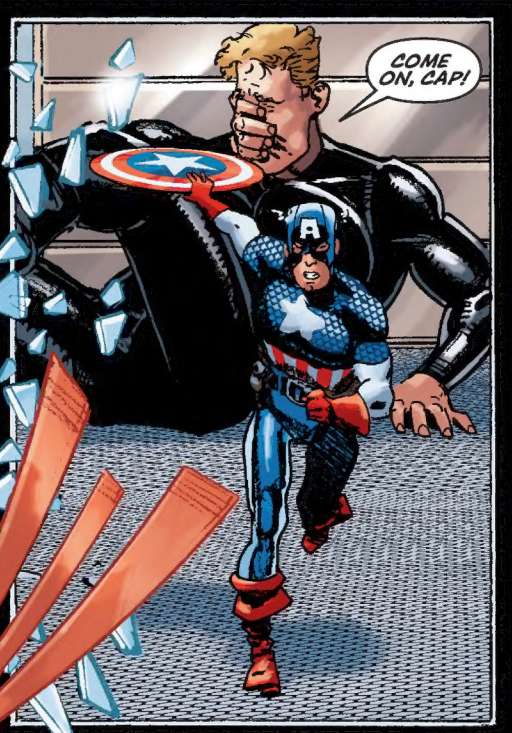
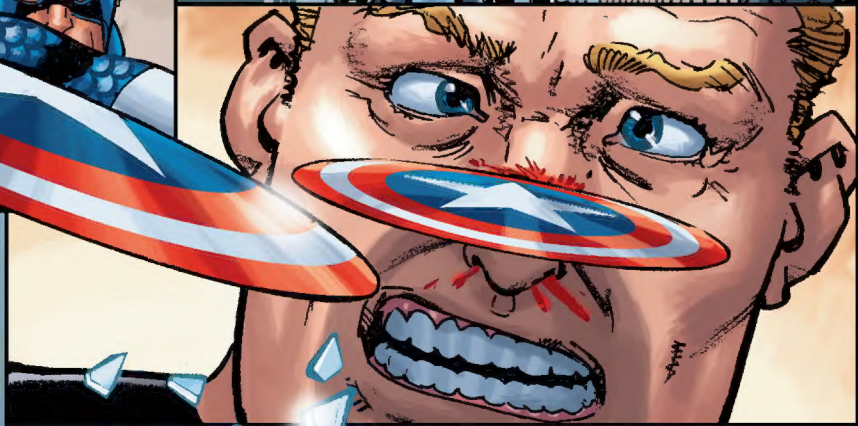
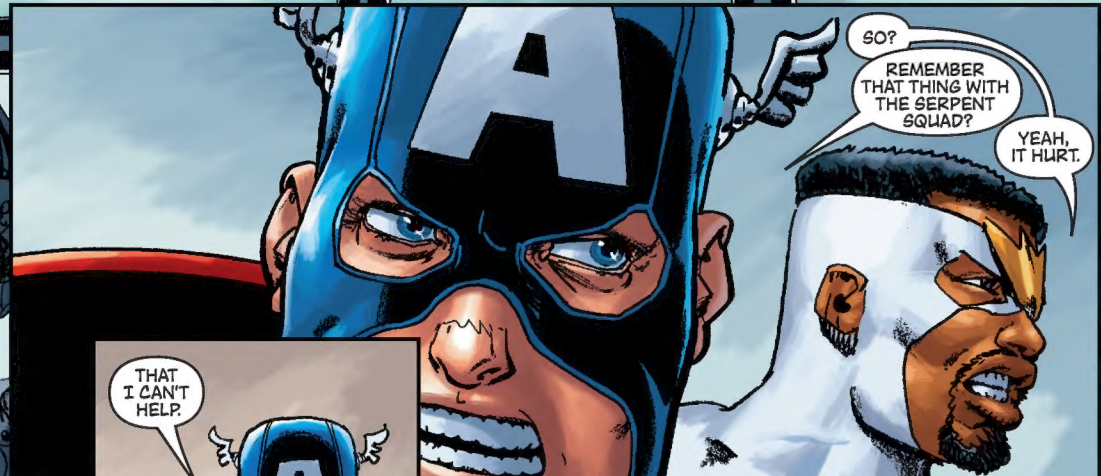
DO
YOU WANT
THAT?

OF
COURSE NOT,
CAP...

I TOLD THEM
I REFUSED TO
FIGHT YOU.

I'D JUST
HOLD YOU
HERE...

"THEM?"
YOU
SON OF
A—!





KZZSSHHAA



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